

REMARKS

By the amendments herein, claims 11-15 have been amended to be in conformance with standard U.S. patent practice with regard to claims. Support for these amendments may be found, among other places, on pages 13 - 15 of the subject specification, as well as in Examples 1 - 3. Entry of these amendments is respectfully requested.

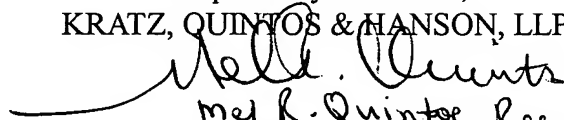
This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated January 23, 2008.

In the Action, restriction was required among Group (I), Claims 1-17; and Group (II), Claims 11-12, and Group (III), Claims 13-15.

Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group (I), Claims 1-17, for prosecution in this application. This election is made without traverse, it being understood that the applicants' rights to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35 USC 120 and 35 USC 121 are retained.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for any such extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

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